

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
NASHVILLE DIVISION

L.W. et al.,	)	
<i>by and through her parents and next friends,</i>	)	
<i>Samantha Williams and Brian Williams,</i>	)	
	)	No. 3:23-cv-00376
Plaintiffs,	)	JUDGE RICHARDSON
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
JONATHAN SKRMETTI et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

**UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**TO RESPOND TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(b) and Local Rules 6.01, Defendants respectfully move to extend the deadline for filing a responsive pleading to Plaintiffs' Complaint until 21 days following the entry of the Court's anticipated order on Plaintiffs' Motion for a Preliminary Injunction. Defendants show the following in support of this Motion.

1. Plaintiffs served Defendants with their Complaint (Doc. No. 1) on April 24, 2023. Accordingly, Defendants' responsive pleading is currently due by May 15, 2023.

2. Defendants are in the process of preparing their response in opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction (Doc. 24), which was served alongside Plaintiffs' Complaint. Defendants' deadline for responding to the Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction is currently set for May 19, 2023. The Court may thereafter elect to schedule a preliminary injunction hearing.

3. Defendants anticipate that information gathered during the preliminary injunction process, and the Court's ruling on the same, may affect its response to Plaintiffs' Complaint.

4. Accordingly, Defendants request an extension of their deadline for filing a responsive pleading until 21 days after the Court has ruled on Plaintiffs' pending preliminary injunction motion.

5. The requested extension will not interfere with the current case management schedule, and it will not cause any unfair prejudice to any other party.

6. Counsel for Defendants has conferred with counsel for Plaintiffs, and Plaintiffs have represented that they do not oppose the relief requested.

For all these reasons, Defendants respectfully request the Court grant their motion and to extend their deadline for filing a responsive pleading until 21 days after this Court rules on Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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